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DYMALLY TO HOLD HEALTH CARE TOWN HALL MEETING

Town Hall to Take Place in Compton Saturday, May 19

COMPTON –Assemblymember Mervyn M. Dymally (D-Compton), Chair of the Assembly Health Committee will convene a health care town hall meeting in the 52nd District on Saturday, May 19, 2007 from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. The town hall meeting will take place at the Martin Luther King Transit Center located at 310 North Willowbrook Avenue in Compton, California and is being supported by Compton Fourth District Councilman Isadore Hall III. Legislative health concerns to be addressed include children's health insurance (AB 1), HIV/AIDS prevention (AB 66), and diabetes and obesity (AB 74). For more information, please call (310) 223-1201. The event is free and open to the public, however, seating is limited and on a first come, first served basis.

AB 1, *Health Care Coverage* would expand eligibility for the Medi-Cal program and would expand eligibility for the Healthy Families Program by allowing children with family incomes at or below 300% of the federal poverty level to qualify for the program and would delete the specified citizenship and immigration status requirements.

AB 66, *Inmate HIV Testing*, would require HIV testing for all inmates entering a state correctional facility for incarceration for a period of at least one year, unless the person declines the testing. The bill requires testing between 30 and 60 days after entry and at least 60 days prior to the expected discharge from the facility.

AB 74, *University of California; Diabetes and Obesity*, would request that the Regents of the University of California establish and administer an Institute for the Study of the Phenomenon of Obesity and Diabetes Experimental Research (PODER) at the University of California, Irvine, in coordination with the Charles R. Drew University of Medicine and Science, and establish and administer one or more clinics that are affiliated with the PODER Institute to focus on individuals or groups who suffer from obesity and diabetes.

Assemblymember Mervyn M. Dymally represents the culturally diverse 52nd Assembly District which includes Compton, Watts, Willowbrook, Paramount, North Long Beach, and South Los Angeles. He is Chair of both the Assembly Health Committee and the Legislative Black Caucus.

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More Information

[Assembly Bill 1 – Health Care Coverage \(Laird\)](#)

[Assembly Bill 66 – Inmate HIV Testing](#)

[Assembly Bill 74 – University of California; Diabetes and Obesity](#)